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# CANTERBURY TOWN REPORT

CANTERBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE



Mid 1800's



The 1989 new addition

**The history of the Sam Lake House.**



The large meeting room

## The history of Sam Lake and the Sam Lake House

**Sam Weare Lake** was born on April 19, 1867, the second son to **George Washington Lake** and **Emiline (Hill) Lake**, who were both lifelong residents of Canterbury. An active family of the community, **George Lake** was a selectman from 1881-1883 when Sam was just a teenager.

When poring over old town records and reports it is evident that Sam grew to be an active member of the community as well. He would go on to hold positions of tax collector, town treasurer and a storekeeper.

In 1889, when he was a young man of 22, Sam, along with his father, bought a store in the Canterbury Center. There was a blacksmith shop which adjoined it. There are still several residents in Canterbury today who remember the store. Sam and his father placed a settee in the store where many of the men would congregate to swap news for the day. Colin Heath, a lifelong Canterbury resident, recalls going into the store. He also remembers Sam Lake as being "a sort of nervous fellow". They sold groceries and hardware in the store.

It was found that Sam was the town treasurer from 1902-1908. In 1909 he became the tax collector. In 1914 he again became the town treasurer until 1929.

Sam married at the tender age of 43 on October 26, 1910. The town report for that

year lists the marriage in the statistics as thus: Sam W. Lake, farmer, to **Bertha Hatch**, lady, daughter of Cornelius Hatch, a sea captain, and Eliza (Saunders) Hatch, from Deer Isle, Maine. Bertha was 47 at the time of the marriage. There is no record of Sam and Bertha having any children.

The four years that followed his marriage, Sam was inactive in town affairs, but he then became active once again.

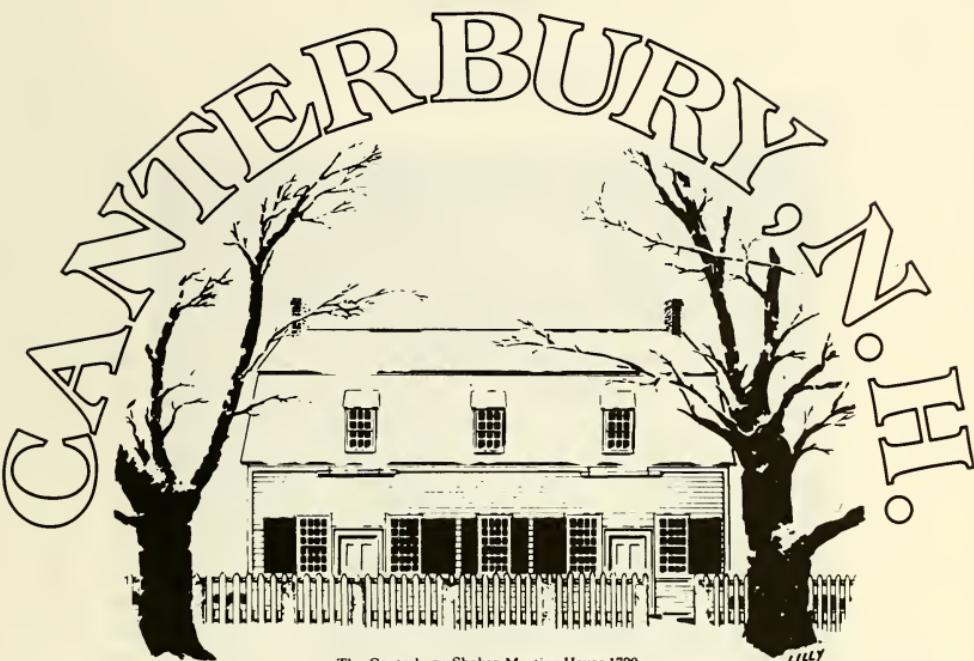
Bertha passed away at age 76 in 1938, she was cremated according to her death certificate. Sam died on March 22, 1941 at age 73. He is buried in the Maple Grove Cemetery on Baptist Road.

The Sam Lake Home, which is today our historic and charming town offices, has a long, rich history.

The Registry of Deeds in Concord, N.H. shows that the Sam Lake Estate was granted to the Town of Canterbury in December 1942, following Sam's death in 1941. Sam, having no children, and only one brother who had died at the age of 22, could well be the reason for the house being left to the town.

It would appear that Sam Lake was a land baron in his time. It was challenging to track the history of the Sam Lake House as it stands today, since he owned so many other properties. Many of those he owned jointly

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COMPRISING THOSE OF THE SELECTMEN, TREASURER,  
TOWN CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR,  
HEALTH OFFICER, ROAD AGENT,  
LIBRARY TRUSTEES, TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS,  
PLANNING BOARD, BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT,  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION,  
HISTORICAL COMMISSION, HISTORICAL SOCIETY,  
POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

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## Dedication



*“Skip” and Alma Young*

EVEREND (SKIP) YOUNG has served our Town as Treasurer, Budget Committee and Board of Adjustment Member. His dedication to each task has brought credit to him and enriched our community.



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**TOWN OFFICERS  
(Elected)**

**Selectmen (3 Yrs.)**

Robert Scarponi, Chairman (1990)  
Leroy Glines (1991)  
Michael O'Neil (1992)

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector (3 Yrs.)**

Cheryl A. Gordon (1992)  
Chandra Magnuson, Deputy Clerk (Resigned)  
Mary L. Barker, Deputy Clerk

**Treasurer (1 Yr.)**

Sewall Smith (1990)

**Moderator (2 Yrs.)**

Oliver Fifield (1990)

**School Board (3 Yrs.)**

Kevin Hunt (1991)  
Geoffrey Souther (1992)

**Planning Board (3 Yrs.)**

Alan Hodsdon, Chairman (1990)  
George Glines (1990)  
James Carter (1991)  
Douglas Ruesswick (1991)  
James Bassett (1992)  
Wayne Mann (1992)  
Robert Scarponi, Selectmens Representative  
Alternates:  
Catherine Newick (1991)  
William Mears (1991)

**Cemetery Committee (3 Yrs.)**

Virginia Dudley	(1992)
Charles Dubois	(1990)
Hugh Fifield	(1990)

**Supervisors of Checklist (6 Yrs.)**

Mary Ann Winograd,	
Chairman	(1992)
Priscilla Lockwood	(1990)
Marcia Scarponi	(1994)

**Library Trustees (3 Yrs.)**

Barbara Cook, Chairman	(1990)
William Meeh	(1990) Resigned
Mark Hampton, Treasurer	(1990)
Juanita Field, Secretary	(1990)
Penny Crabtree	(1991) Resigned
Patty Laufman	(1990)
Rita Braskie	(1991) Resigned
Edith Posselt	(1990)
Virginia LaPlante	(1992)
David Swenson	(1992)

**Trustee of Trust Funds (3 Yrs.)**

Kent Ruesswick, Chairman	(1990)
Nancy Lilly	(1991)
Marcia Scarponi	(1992)

**State Representatives**

Robert Lockwood - Canterbury  
Richard Barberia - Canterbury  
Leo Fraser - Pittsfield

**State Senator**

William Johnson - Northwood

## **TOWN OFFICERS (Appointed)**

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**Clerk of the Board**  
Jean H. Bezanson

**Assistant Clerk of the Board**  
Kathryn K. Dickson

**Road Agent**  
Hugh R. Fifield

**Police**  
Harry Heath, Chief  
Ed Blais, Officer

**Health Officer**  
Dr. Francis Hayes

**Fire Warden/Civil Defense Director**  
Dale Caswell

### **Budget Committee (3 Yrs.)**

George Glines	(1990)
Geoffrey Souther	(1991)
Robert Buchholz	(1991)
Sewall Smith	(1991)
Gerow Brill	(1992)
Frank Tupper	(1992)
Everand Young	(1992) Resigned
John Pratt	(1992)

**Board of Adjustment (3 Yrs.)**

Joseph Halla, Chairman	(1991)
Philip Cochrane	(1991)
Sandra Hodsdon	(1990)
Michael Winograd	(1992)
Charles Cook	(1992)
Alternates:	
John Pratt	(1992)
David Scanlon	(1992)
Wayne Mann	(1990) Resigned

**Conservation Commission (3 Yrs.)**

Robert Fife, Chairman	(1992)
Lenore Howe	(1990)
Kenneth Stern	(1990)
Jessie Tichko	(1990) Resigned
Virginia LaPlante	(1990)
Kathleen Dole	(1991)
Robert Quinn	(1992)
Robert Chamberlin	(1992) Resigned
Diane Jacobsen	(1992)
Alternates:	
Chance Anderson	
David Lamb	

**Fire Department**

Dale Caswell, Chief  
Lynn Edmunds, Secretary-Treasurer-Deputy Chief  
Peter Blanchette, Deputy

**Librarian**

Julie Brillhart, Librarian  
Susan Holmes, Assistant Librarian  
Carol Landry, Assistant Librarian

**Building Inspector**

Steve Cochrane

**Recreation Committee (3 Yrs.)**

Richard Ennis, Chairman (1990)  
Kevin Hunt (1990)  
Jeffrey Leidinger (1991)  
Mason Newick (1992)  
Alternate:  
Harold Boley

**Historic District Commission**

Ruth Mann (1991)  
Kay Bogle (1991)  
Timothy Meeh (1990)  
Katherine Shields (1992)  
Michael O'Neil, Selectmen's Representative

**Recycling Committee**

Melanie Stephens - Chairperson  
Winnifred Wingate  
Bill Badgley  
Ben Ladd  
Geoff Hubbell  
Karin Moffet

**Historical Society**

Pat Andrews, Chairperson (1990)  
Laurel Corriveau, Asst. Chairperson (1990)  
Denise Isaac, Asst. Chairperson (1990)  
Jessie Tichko, Secretary (1990)  
Sewall Smith, Treasurer (1990)  
Grace Taylor, Corresponding Treas. (1990)  
Robert Fife, Trustee (1990)  
Nola Stokes, Trustee (1990)  
Robert Dudley, Trustee (1991)  
Virginia LaPlante, Trustee (1991)  
Ruth Mann (1992)  
Wayne Morrow (1992)

## **WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

### **State of New Hampshire**

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The Polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Canterbury in the county of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Canterbury on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, 1990 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

#### **FIRST SESSION**

The first session shall be held at the Town Hall in said Canterbury, on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, 1990, between the hours of 10 A.M. o'clock and 7 P.M. o'clock in the evening to act upon the following:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing, by ballot.
2. To see how the Town will vote on the following zoning amendments and historic district ordinance proposed by the Planning Board and by citizen petition to be voted upon by official ballot.

**Question 1.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: repealing the existing zoning ordinance with the exception of existing Article 10, "Number of Residential Building Permits," and comprehensively clarifying and recodifying the other articles of the existing zoning ordinance and establishing regulations regarding accessory apartments, a Merrimack River Buffer area, floodplain development which will bring the Town into compliance with federal regulations, lot size, frontage, setbacks, dimensional requirements, permitted

and prohibited uses, and separation of the Commercial/Industrial district into separate Commercial and Industrial districts. Amendment No. 1 does not permit cluster development in the Agricultural/Conservation (A) or Resource Reserve Natural (RRN) districts, nor does Amendment No. 1 change the existing “Building Permit Cap.”

**Question 2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: establishing an Historic District Commission which is responsible for regulating the erection, demolition or alteration of structures in a manner compatible with the proposed Shaker and Center Historic Districts and, if the proposed recodification (Amendment No. 1) is approved, repealing Article 8.2C thereof so as to transfer certain regulatory authority over the Historic Districts from the Zoning Board of Adjustment to the Historic District Commission?

**Question 3.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: repealing the existing limitations on the number of residential building permits which are retained in the proposed recodification (Amendment No. 1) and inserting in place thereof a revised regulation relative to limitations on the number of residential building permits?

**Question 4.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: permitting and regulating cluster residential development in the Resource Reserve Natural (RRN) and Agricultural/Conservation (A) Districts?

**Question 5.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: modifying “The Zon-

ing Map of the Town of Canterbury, NH" as set forth below:

- a. Incorporate into the Agricultural/Conservation District the previously unzoned area south of Route 4, bounded on the West by the Merrimack River;
- b. Change the areas presently zoned Commercial/Industrial that have frontage on Route 106 to the Commercial Zone;
- c. Change the area presently zoned Commercial/Industrial Zone that is located North of West Road and West of I-93 near Exit 18 to the Industrial Zone;
- d. Change the area presently zoned Rural that is South of Bryant Brook, West of I-93 near Exit 18, and East of the steep bluffs that are East of the Merrimack and Intervale Road, to the Industrial Zone;
- e. Change the area presently zoned Commercial/Industrial Zone that is North of West Road and East of I-93 near Exit 18 to the Commercial Zone;
- f. Change the area presently zoned Commercial/Industrial that is located South and East of the Merrimack River bluff, and adjacent to Exit 17 of I-93, to the Commercial zone.

**Question 6.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by a petition for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: modifying "The Zoning Map of the Town of Canterbury, N. H." as set forth below:

Change to the Rural zone all of the land within the first bend of the Merrimack River north of Hoit Road that is now in the Agricultural/Conservation zone. All land in that area that is presently in the Commercial zone would remain so. (Not recommended by the Planning Board.)

**Question 7.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the

Town zoning ordinance as follows: if the proposed recodification (Amendment No. 1) is not adopted, repeal Article 5.1, entitled "Regulatory Floodway Zone," and insert in place thereof revised regulations relative to floodplain development that will bring the Town into compliance with the minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program regulations.

3. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:37 for the exemption for the blind from property tax. This statute provides that every inhabitant who is legally blind shall be exempt each year from the property tax on a residence to the value of \$15,000.
4. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, V and VI for an optional veteran's exemption and an expanded qualifying war service for veterans seeking the exemption? The optional veteran's exemption is \$100 rather than \$50.
5. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:35, IV for an optional property tax exemption on residential property for a service-connected total disability? The optional disability exemption is \$1,400 rather than \$700.

## **SECOND SESSION**

The second session shall be held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday the 16th day of March, 1990 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

6. To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.
7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue, in the name of and on the credit of the Town, negotiable notes therefore.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property taken by Tax Collector Deed by public auction, or sealed bid, or as justice may require after consultation with the Conservation Commission. (RSA 80:42)
9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend Federal or State grants or funds from private sources provided that a public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen prior to the expenditure of such grants and moneys.
10. To see if the Town will vote to change the name of Abbott Road to Abbott-Bradley Road.
11. To see if the Town will authorize the closing of the Capital Reserve - Fire Truck Trust Fund and to authorize the expenditure of the balance of said fund amounting to approximately eight thousand nine hundred thirty-three dollars (\$8,933) and further to raise and appropriate an additional sum of six thousand thirty-six dollars (\$6,636) to refurbish the 1972 Ford Fire Truck with the total expenditure not to exceed fifteen thousand five hundred seventy dollars (\$15,570).
12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for renovations to the old Fire Station to better house the Police Department offices.
13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the closing of the Capital Reserve - Road Grader Trust Fund amounting to approximately fifty-eight thousand five hundred fifty-nine dollars (\$58,559).
14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) from the proceeds of the Capital Reserve - Road Grader Trust Fund to purchase a 1973 Road Grader.

15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of the balance of the proceeds of the Capital Reserve - Road Grader Trust Fund (approximately thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) and further to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new loader for the Highway Department.
16. To authorize the Selectmen to require that waste generated in the Town of Canterbury shall be subject to mandatory recycling and to empower them to regulate the standards and procedures thereof.
17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) for the building of a road and parking area at the Town-owned conservation area along the Merrimack River.
18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allow the local snowmobile clubs the use of the Canterbury/Boscawen bridge for a multi-use winter recreational trail, as long as the clubs can show that insurance coverage would protect the Town in the event of a lawsuit. (The structure would be a bridge within a bridge.) The bridge would be closed to wheeled vehicles and padlocked during the non-winter seasons. (By Petition) (Not recommended by the Selectmen)
19. As citizens of New Hampshire assembled at our town meeting and concerned over the present and future well-being of our Town, State, Nation and World, we call on our representatives in Washington to work vigorously for substantial reductions in military spending, and to redirect our federal tax dollars toward such purposes as education, environmental protection, deficit reduction, farming, housing, health care and welfare of the elderly and children. (By Petition)
20. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-sixth day of February, 1990

Robert D. Scarponi, Chairman  
Leroy A. Glines  
Michael T. O'Neil  
Selectmen of Canterbury

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

Robert D. Scarponi, Chairman  
Leroy A. Glines  
Michael T. O'Neil  
Selectmen of Canterbury

## REVENUE TO OFFSET 1990 BUDGET

	Est. 1989	Act. 1989	Est. 1990
<b>TAXES</b>			
Yield Taxes .....	7,000.	22,401.	7,000.
Interest and Penalties on Taxes .....	10,000.	26,216.	10,000.
Land Use Change Tax .....	8,000.	17,070.	—
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES — STATE</b>			
Shared Revenue - Block Grant .....	47,241.	47,625.	47,625.
Highway Block Grant .....	44,178.	44,408.	44,408.
Railroad Tax .....	— 0 —	— 0 —	— 0 —
Reimb. a/c State-Federal			
Forest Land .....	325.	— 0 —	325.
Forest Fire Reimbursement .....	— 0 —	367.	100.
Gas Tax .....	800.	1,873.	500.
<b>LICENSES AND PERMITS</b>			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees .....	130,000.	128,104.	130,000.
Dog Licenses .....	600.	479.	600.
Pistol Permits .....	50.	56.	50.
Building Permits & Renewals .....	4,500.	6,150.	5,000.
Marriage Licenses .....	100.	285.	100.
License Plate Fees .....	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,500.
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			
Income from Departments .....	2,000.	2,346.	2,000.
Rent of Town Property .....	25.	25.	25.
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>			
Interest on Deposits .....	12,000.	14,608.	14,000.
Sale of Town Property .....	1,500.	2,170.	1,500.
Miscellaneous .....	1,000.	2,043.	1,000.
Recycling .....	1,000.	— 0 —	1,000.
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			
Insurance Proceeds .....	— 0 —	22,221.	— 0 —
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve			
Funds .....	50,000.	27,000.	67,492.
<b>FUND BALANCE</b> .....	<u>320,319.</u>	<u>35,775.</u>	<u>60,000.</u>
	<u>320,319.</u>	<u>401,222.</u>	<u>394,225.</u>
Proposed Budget Total .....	678,108.		
Less Estimated Income .....	<u>394,225.</u>		
<b>ESTIMATED AMOUNT TO RAISE BY TAXES IN 1990 IS</b> .....	283,883.		

## 1990 BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1989 Approp.	1989 Spent	1990 Approp.	Increase/ Decrease
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
Town Officers' Salaries .....	51,050.00	45,679.08	54,402.00	3,352.00
Town Officers' Expenses .....	18,100.00	17,821.58	21,260.00	3,160.00
Election & Registration .....	300.00	441.69	1,038.00	738.00
Cemeteries .....	5,900.00	6,278.87	6,400.00	500.00
General Gov't Bldgs. ....	19,725.00	11,835.60	14,045.00	(5,680.00)
Industrial Expense .....	8,000.00	2,137.70	— 0 —	(8,000.00)
Reappraisal of Property .....	4,000.00	4,295.00	4,500.00	500.00
Planning & Zoning .....	9,450.00	6,454.01	6,950.00	(2,500.00)
Legal Expense .....	2,500.00	4,400.70	3,000.00	500.00
Regional Associates .....	2,458.00	2,017.70	2,914.00	456.00
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>				
Police Department .....	53,500.00	56,725.92	57,201.00	3,701.00
Fire Department .....	28,575.00	28,367.36	31,046.00	2,471.00
Civil Defense .....	1.00	— 0 —	1.00	— 0 —
Building Inspection .....	3,000.00	2,579.65	3,000.00	— 0 —
<b>HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES</b>				
Highway Dept. Maint. ....	144,000.00	121,507.83	151,850.00	7,850.00
Highway Dept. Gen. Exp. ....	23,600.00	19,812.28	28,753.00	5,153.00
Street Lighting .....	1,500.00	1,132.28	1,500.00	— 0 —
<b>SANITATION</b>				
Solid Waste Disposal .....	28,892.00	31,635.53	52,450.00	23,558.00
<b>HEALTH</b>				
Hospitals & Ambulances .....	5,950.00	5,950.00	8,450.00	2,500.00
Animal Control .....	150.00	120.00	150.00	— 0 —
Vital Statistics .....	50.00	45.00	50.00	— 0 —
<b>WELFARE</b>				
General Assistance .....	5,150.00	1,165.84	5,209.00	59.00
Old Age Assistance .....	500.00	— 0 —	500.00	— 0 —
Aid to the Disabled (VNA) .....	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,625.00	125.00
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>				
Library .....	16,700.00	16,700.00	16,885.00	185.00
Parks & Recreation .....	750.00	712.77	750.00	— 0 —
Patriotic Purposes .....	1,000.00	943.50	1,000.00	— 0 —
Conservation Commission .....	550.00	385.14	550.00	— 0 —
Historical Society .....	150.00	167.07	200.00	50.00
Historic District Comm. ....	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>				
Principal/Long Term .....	22,400.00	22,400.00	22,400.00	— 0 —
Interest/Long Term .....	5,103.00	5,073.35	4,960.11	(142.89)
Int./Tax Anticipation .....	500.00	— 0 —	500.00	— 0 —

	1989 Approp.	1989 Spent	1990 Approp.	Increase/ Decrease
<b>CANTERBURY IND. DEV. COMMITTEE</b>				
Canterbury Ind. Dev. Comm. ....	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>				
Capital Reserve:				
Highway Equipment .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	— 0 —	(1,500.00)
Highway Truck .....	5,000.00	5,000.00	— 0 —	(5,000.00)
Highway Road Grader.....	10,000.00	10,000.00	— 0 —	(10,000.00)
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				
FICA .....	10,000.00	17,164.93	20,000.00	10,000.00
Insurance.....	44,000.00	35,632.88	44,000.00	— 0 —
<b>BUDGET TOTALS WITHOUT</b>				
WARRANT ARTICLES .....	536,504.00	488,583.26	570,539.11	34,035.11
<b>WARRANT ARTICLES</b>				
W.A. 5-89 Transfer Station				
(20,000 Cap. Res.) .....	45,000.00	— 0 —		
W.A. 6-89 Closing of Landfill				
(30,000 Cap. Res.) .....	20,000.00	18,674.75		
W.A. 11-89 Highway Truck				
(7,000 Cap. Res.) .....	15,000.00	9,512.35		
W.A. 13-89 Historic District Comm.				
W.A. 14-89 Fire Dept. Protective				
turn-out gear (4 sets) .....	3,360.00	3,337.60		
W.A. 15-89 Fire Dept. 700'				
fire hose line.....	2,000.00	1,920.00		
W.A. 16-89 Canterbury Elementary				
School Soccer Field .....	2,000.00	— 0 —		
W.A. 11-90 Refurbish 1972 Ford				
Fire Truck				
(8,933 Cap. Res. Fund) .....			15,569.00	
W.A. 12-90 Renovate Police Station .			12,000.00	
W.A. 14-90 Road Grader				
(13,000 Cap. Res. Proceeds) .....			13,000.00	
W.A. 15-90 Highway Dept. Loader				
(35,000.00 Cap. Res. Proceeds ....			60,000.00	
W.A. 17-90 Building Road and				
Parking Lot at the Merrimack				
River Beach.....			7,000.00	
<b>BUDGET TOTALS WITH</b>				
WARRANT ARTICLES .....	624,864.00	522,047.96	678,108.11	
<b>SHAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL</b>				
DISTRICT .....		1,187,403.23		
REFUNDS .....		3,510.60		
Taxes bought by Town .....		78,919.29		
County Tax .....		173,745.00		
		1,965,626.08		

**MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING  
(Business Portion)**

March 17, 1989

The adjourned Town Meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 1989, by the Moderator, Oliver Fifield.

The Moderator read the results of the balloting from the first session of Town Meeting which was held on Tuesday, March 14, 1989, at the Town Hall. There were 402 ballots cast.

Robert Lockwood moved to dispense with the complete reading of the warrant and to read each article as it comes up. Duly seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Article 1.**

To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

John Pratt moved the adoption of the budget as printed. Robert Scarponi seconded.

The increase in the Town Officers' salaries was questioned. John Pratt, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, explained that there was an increase in the selectmen's and clerks' salaries and the Town Clerk plans to expand her hours in the Town Office.

Harry Kinter asked why the Historic District Commission appropriation is included in a warrant article and not in the general budget. John Pratt explained that this is a new commission and it needs discussion.

Skip Young questioned the \$30,500 in encumbrances being shown as revenue to offset the 1989 budget when this was a 1988 expenditure.

Jim Ashworth made the motion to ask the selectmen to reconsider their decision to encumber funds shown on the

balance sheet (page 29), and further to ask the selectmen to apply these funds to surplus to reduce the taxes to be raised this year. The amounts to be considered are industrial consultation, \$5,000; Town Hall repairs, \$12,000; and industrial survey, \$3,000 for a total of \$20,000. The motion was seconded.

Robert Lockwood spoke in favor of the motion. A vote was taken on the motion and passed.

Skip Young moved to increase the budget for interest/long term notes by \$1435 to cover the anticipated cost for 1989 for the interest. The motion was seconded and passed.

Debbie Isaac moved that we add to the budget the \$8,000 for the industrial park expenses and the \$12,000 for the Town Hall repairs which was previously shown as encumbered funds. The motion was seconded and passed by a hand vote of 82-74. The question was moved and the motion to accept the budget as amended in the amount of \$536,504 was voted on and passed.

## **Article 2.**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue, in the name of and on the credit of the Town, negotiable notes therefore.

Robert Scarponi moved the adoption of this article. John Pratt seconded.

Article 2 was voted on and passed.

## **Article 3.**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property taken by Tax Collector Deed by public auction or sealed bid or as justice may require after consultation with the Conservation Commission. (RSA 80:42)

Robert Scarponi moved the adoption of this article. Cheryl Gordon seconded.

Article 3 passed.

#### **Article 4.**

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to apply for, receive and expend Federal or State grants or funds from private sources provided that a public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen prior to the expenditure of such grants and moneys.

Robert Scarponi moved the adoption of this article. John Pratt seconded.

Mary Ellen Fifield asked for an explanation of this article. John Pratt explained that if any funds became available, the selectmen would be required to hold a public hearing before the expenditure of such funds. For example, the selectmen plan to use Sam Lake funds this year for doing some needed work on the Same Lake House. Gordon Jackson added that the selectmen cannot apply for State funds without this authorization at Town Meeting.

Article 4 was voted on and passed.

#### **Article 5.**

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to withdraw \$20,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund and to appropriate an additional \$45,000 for the purpose of purchasing and installing a Transfer Station at the present landfill site and to further authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate bonds or notes over a five-year period for said purpose.

Robert Scarponi moved to adopt this article. John Pratt seconded.

Peter Scripture requested an explanation of this article. John Pratt explained that in order to transfer our garbage to the Co-op, we need a transfer station. We will be using the ex-

isting building along with a roll-out trailer and compacter. The compacting equipment will be permanently installed at the dump. When the trailer is full, a transfer truck comes to pick up the roll-out trailer and compacter.

Doris Hampton asked if this process would affect our recycling project. In answer to her question, John said that we will continue recycling; it may increase.

Ken Stern asked why the cost was so low. Since Canterbury is already equipped with an incinerator unlike most towns, the transfer station will be less costly to set up.

Rich Ennis asked what the life expectancy of the equipment is. J. Pratt answered that the roll-out trailer and compacter should last for ten to fifteen years; maybe longer. The Co-op's life is twenty years.

Jim Ashworth moved to amend this article to include withdrawing the accumulated interest of the Capital Reserve Fund to be applied to the appropriation of this article. The motion was seconded.

Article 5 was passed as amended.

#### **Article 6.**

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to withdraw \$30,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund and to appropriate an additional \$20,000 for the purpose of closing the existing landfill.

Jim Ashworth moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded.

J. Pratt explained that the areas that are currently being used as a landfill will be closed.

Kent Ruesswick moved to amend the article to include withdrawing any accumulated interest along with the \$30,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund set aside for the landfill closing. Jim Ashworth seconded the motion.

Article 6 was passed as amended.

## **Article 7.**

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to act as the franchising authority for the franchising and regulation of a cable television system for the Town pursuant to RSA Chapter 53-C.

John Pratt moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded.

Mrs. Fournier asked how much of an area will the cable television system cover. J. Pratt answered that the average coverage is 85%. The approval of this article will give the selectmen authority to negotiate a contract.

Article 7 was moved and passed.

## **Article 8.**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$65,000 for the restoration and renovation of the Town Hall and further authorize the Selectmen to negotiate bonds or notes for a period of five years.

Robert Lockwood moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded.

Ted Rydberg wanted to know why we would have to do the renovations on the Town Hall all at once.

Roy Glines explained that the selectmen feel we need more room for the different boards to meet. The foundation would be restored and gas toilets would be installed in the Town Hall. The selectmen feel the Town Hall building should be utilized.

Michael Winograd spoke in opposition to the adoption of this article. Paul Mercier also spoke in opposition.

Ken Stern was in favor of the idea, but did not think that this is the right year to spend the money.

Ray Cushman spoke in opposition of Article 8; he felt it was too much expense.

Gordon Jackson suggested expanding the Sam Lake House.

Mary Ellen Fifield spoke in favor of this article stating that the Town Hall building should be preserved.

Bob Lockwood wanted to know what the actual cost would be each year after bonding. The selectmen answered that we would have to spend about \$13,000 each year.

The question was moved. Article 8 was defeated.

#### **Article 9.**

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the town's representatives to the General Court to respond to our solid waste crisis by taking all necessary measures to insure that New Hampshire adopt legislation that will permit consumers to return for refund of deposit within New Hampshire all soda, beer, wine cooler and liquor containers and that all unclaimed deposit monies shall be collected by the State and no less than 80% shall be returned annually to local municipalities for the sole purpose of implementing, expanding and reimbursing community recycling projects. (By Petition)

Priscilla Lockwood moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded.

Kay Cushman moved to amend the article to read, "To see if the Town will vote to instruct the town's representatives to the General Court to respond to our solid waste crisis by taking all necessary measures to insure that New Hampshire adopt legislation that will permit consumers to return for refund of deposit within New Hampshire all soda, beer, wine cooler and liquor containers," striking the last part of the article. The motion was seconded.

Article 9 was voted on as amended and passed.

#### **Article 10.**

To see whether the Town will vote to deposit all revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in

the conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II.

John Pratt moved the adoption of this article. Bob Scarpone seconded.

Ken Stern spoke in favor of this article. The passage of this article would allow the Town to use the money collected for current use penalties for the acquisition and maintenance of conservation land.

A vote was taken on Article 10 and passed.

#### **Article 11.**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 for the purchase of a replacement truck for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of \$7,000 from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund.

John Pratt moved that we adopt this article. It was seconded.

Robert Scarpone moved to amend the motion by recommending that \$22,000 be appropriated for the purchase of a replacement truck for the Highway Department with \$15,000 being raised by taxes and \$7,000 being withdrawn from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Article 11 was passed as amended.

#### **Article 12**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take such action as may be necessary to negotiate an agreement with the State of New Hampshire and the Town of Boscawen and to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed thirty-three thousand four hundred dollars (\$33,400) to have the Canterbury-Boscawen Bridge demolished and removed. Estimated cost not to exceed two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) with the funding split for the State/Towns at 2/3 State and 1/3 being shared equally between Canterbury and Boscawen.

Robert Scarponi moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded.

Bob Scarponi mentioned that even though the Boscawen Town Meeting tabled this article, it should be discussed. He said that there is no planking left on the bridge and he felt it should be destroyed. The selectmen have discussed options with various agencies; they discussed making the bridge safe for bicycles, snowmobiles, etc. by building a bridge within a bridge. It is the selectmen's opinion that it would be too expensive to renovate the bridge and it should be removed along with the liability.

Harry Kinter spoke in opposition to the destruction of the Canterbury-Boscawen bridge as it is an historic structure. Mr. Kinter moved to amend the article to read: "To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to appoint a study committee to investigate: 1. Alternatives for adaptive re-use of the Canterbury-Boscawen bridge; 2. The structural repairs and/or refurbishments necessary to accommodate such re-use; 3. Funding sources available to accomplish such repairs. The study committee shall include one member of the Planning Board, one member of the Historic District Commission and one member who is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of New Hampshire. The Selectmen should contact the Board of Selectmen of Boscawen and encourage them to appoint a similar committee. If the Town of Boscawen appoints such a committee, the Canterbury study committee shall work together with the Boscawen study committee and attempt to form a consensus on the future of the bridge. The Canterbury study committee shall report back to the Town Meeting in 1990 with its recommendations, including necessary warrant article(s), if appropriate." The motion was seconded.

Mr. Kinter urged the Town to vote for this amendment. He mentioned that the trusses on the bridge are in fine shape, the top courses are in good shape, and there are funding sources available to repair the historic bridge.

After further discussion of posting the area, adequate fencing, and the Town's liability regarding the bridge, the question was moved.

The substitute motion was voted on and Article 12 was passed as amended by Harry Kinter.

### **Article 13.**

To see if the Town will appropriate \$1,000 to the Historic District Commission for the purpose of rezoning the Historic District in the Center of Town and the Shaker Historic District.

John Pratt moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded. The purpose of this article is to see that the lines in the Historic District are defined more clearly.

Harry Kinter spoke in opposition to this article as worded. He moved to amend the article to read: "To see if the Town will appropriate \$1,000 to the Historic District Commission for the carrying out of its functions." The motion was seconded.

A vote was taken on Article 13 as amended and passed.

### **Article 14.**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,360 (three thousand three hundred and sixty dollars) for the replacement of 4 (four) sets of protective turn-out gear.

John Pratt moved the adoption of this article. Roy Glines seconded.

Ray Cushman moved to amend this article to include, "for the Canterbury Volunteer Fire Department", for clarification. Eric Sharpe seconded the motion.

Dale Caswell, Fire Chief, explained that the purpose of this article is to replace the Fire Department's old and worn-out gear.

A vote was taken on Article 14 as amended and passed.

### **Article 15.**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2,000 (two

thousand dollars) for 700' (seven hundred) feet of fire hoseline.

The article was amended to include, "for the Canterbury Volunteer Fire Department."

Dale Caswell moved that this article be adopted. The motion was seconded.

Article 15 was voted on and passed.

#### **Article 16.**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 (two thousand dollars) for the improvement of the soccer fields on the Canterbury Elementary School property. Recommended by the Recreation Committee.

Rich Ennis moved to adopt this article. It was seconded.

Sarge Goodhue asked why this would be a Town responsibility for school property.

Jeff Leidinger explained that they wanted to improve the recreational facilities in Town for the use of the Canterbury children and this is the first step of a long range project.

J. Harpham asked if this is a one-time expense or is it a growing figure.

Rich Ennis of the Recreation Committee explained that this one-shot deal should hopefully complete the facilities.

Skip Young felt that this should be the responsibility of the School District. Rich Ennis said that most of the work for the recreational facilities is being done by volunteers.

Rodney Dollar spoke in favor of the adoption of this article stating that \$2,000 is a small amount to spend for our children.

Article 16 was voted on and passed.

#### **Article 17.**

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Alan Hodsdon, Chairman of the Planning Board, thanked all those who participated in compiling the Plan for Tomorrow. He publicly wanted to thank John Nay for the work he did on the Plan for Tomorrow and apologized to him for omitting his name as a Planning Board member in the completed copy of the Plan for Tomorrow.

Bob Scarponi commended John Pratt for the many years he served as selectman.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathryn Dickson

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK — 1989**

Auto Permits 1989	\$128,104.00
Dog Licenses 1989	\$479.50
Marriage Licenses 1989	\$283.00
Miscellaneous 1989	\$2.00
Total remittances to Treasurer	<hr/> \$128,868.50

Cheryl A. Gordon  
Town Clerk, Canterbury

## 1989 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	1989 Approp.	1989 Avail.	1989 Spent	Over/ Under
<b>General Government</b>				
Town Officer's Salaries .....	51,050.	51,050.	45,679.08	5,370.92
Town Officer's Expenses .....	18,100.	18,100.	17,821.58	278.42
Election & Registration .....	300.	300.	441.69	(141.69)
Cemeteries .....	5,900.	5,900.	6,278.87	(378.87)
General Gov't Bldgs. .....	19,725.	19,725.	11,835.60	7,889.40
Industrial Expense .....	8,000.	8,000.	2,137.70	5,862.30
Reappraisal of Property .....	4,000.	4,000.	4,295.00	(295.00)
Planning & Zoning .....	9,450.	9,450.	6,454.01	2,995.99
Legal Expense .....	2,500.	2,500.	4,400.70	(1,900.70)
Regional Associates .....	2,458.	2,458.	2,017.70	440.30
<b>Public Safety</b>				
Police Department .....	53,500.	53,500.	56,725.92	(3,225.92)
Fire Department .....	28,575.	28,575.	28,367.36	207.64
Civil Defense .....	1.	1.	— 0 —	1.00
Building Inspection .....	3,000.	3,000.	2,579.65	420.35
<b>Highways, Streets, Bridges</b>				
Highway Dept. Maintenance....	144,000.	144,000.	121,507.83	22,492.17
Highway Dept. Gen. Exp. ....	23,600.	23,600.	19,812.28	3,787.72
Street Lighting .....	1,500.	1,500.	1,132.28	367.72
<b>Sanitation</b>				
Solid Waste Disposal .....	28,892.	28,892.	39,050.28	(10,158.28)
<b>Health</b>				
Hospitals & Ambulances .....	5,950.	5,950.	5,950.00	— 0 —
Animal Control .....	150.	150.	120.00	30.00
Vital Statistics .....	50.	50.	45.00	5.00
<b>Welfare</b>				
General Assistance .....	5,150.	5,150.	1,165.84	3,984.16
Old Age Assistance .....	500.	500.	— 0 —	500.00
Aid to the Disabled VNA .....	2,500.	2,500.	2,500.00	— 0 —

	1989 Approp.	1989 Avail.	1989 Spent	Over/ Under
<b>Culture &amp; Recreation</b>				
Library .....	16,700.	16,700.	16,700.00	— 0 —
Parks & Recreation .....	750.	750.	712.77	37.23
Patriotic Purposes .....	1,000.	1,000.	943.50	56.50
Conservation Commission .....	550.	550.	385.14	164.86
Historical Society .....	150.	150.	167.07	(17.07)
<b>Debt Service</b>				
Principal/Long Term .....	22,400.	22,400.	22,400.00	— 0 —
Interest/Long Term .....	5,103.	5,103.	5,073.35	29.65
Int./Tax Anticipation .....	500.	500.	— 0 —	500.00
<b>Operating Transfers Out</b>				
Capital Reserve:				
Highway Equipment .....	1,500.	1,500.	1,500.00	— 0 —
Highway Truck .....	5,000.	5,000.	5,000.00	— 0 —
Highway Grader .....	10,000.	10,000.	10,000.00	— 0 —
<b>Miscellaneous</b>				
FICA .....	10,000.	10,000.	17,164.93	(7,164.93)
Insurance .....	44,000.	44,000.	35,632.88	8,367.12
	<u>536,504.</u>	<u>536,504.</u>	<u>495,998.01</u>	<u>40,505.99</u>

## SUMMARY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

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Land	\$16,012,795.
Buildings	37,284,980.
Public Utilities	1,002,500.
Manufactured Housing	<u>54,900.</u>
Total Gross Valuation	\$54,355,175.
Less Elderly Exemptions (16)	205,000.
School Dining Room, Dorm Exemp.	66,100.
Solar Exemptions	78,500.
Net Valuation on which Tax is Computed	\$54,005,575.
Loss Due to Vet's Exemptions (108)	5,400.
Loss Due to Total Disability (2)	1,400.
 Town Tax Rate	\$ 5.35
County Tax Rate	3.18
School Tax Rate	<u>23.62</u>
Per \$1000. Valuation	\$32.15

### Current Use Land

Values before application of Current Use	\$23,183,866.
Values after application of Current Use	<u>16,012,795.</u>
Assessed Value Lost	\$ 7,171,071.
 Number of acres granted for Current Use Exemption	16,514.867

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Town Hall, land and buildings	\$ 38,950.
Furniture and Equipment	500.
Library, land and buildings	77,150.
Furniture and Equipment	20,000.
Police Department Building	7,600.
Contents	500.
Garage and Fire Station	141,750.
Contents	4,000.
Historical Building	29,000.
Contents	10,000.
Sam Lake House and Buildings	31,000.
Contents	5,000.
Town Dump, Land & Improvements	8,200.
Incinerator	15,300.
Fire Station, Sherwood Forest	7,450.
Brick and Frame Bandstand	9,700.
Industrial Site	19,700.
14.017 Worsted Church Lot	2,250.
8.020 Land on e/s Rte 132 — purchased by Conservation Commission	800.
15.013 Land on e/s Abberton Road (Gift)	6,300.
8.041 Land on Kimball Pond (Gift)	4,750.
11.014 LO ES Abbott Road	11,600.
12.16 LO Whitney Hill Road	5,050.
12.028 LO Spendor Meadow	2,700.
Land acquired through Tax Deeds:	
TM# 2.001 LO Shore of New Pond	7,650.
2.022 LO Canterbury Shore Drive	2,300.
2.137 LO Friar Tuck Road	2,300.
2.141 LO Friar Tuck Road	2,500.
2.148 LO Robin Shore Drive	2,200.
2.150 LO Robin Shore Drive	2,200.
2.152 LO Robin Shore Drive	1,900.
2.172 LB Shaker Road	14,900.
12.027 LO Spendor Meadow	4,300.

11.035 LO SS Baptist Road	7,200.
07.046 LO off ES Borough Road	10,550.
01.004.001 LO NS Intervale Road	3,850.
02.334 LO Island New Pond	200.
02.335 LO Island New Pond	300.
02.252 LO Nottingham Road	2,050.
02.288 LO Nottingham Road	200.
02.280 LO Gilmanton Road	2,100.
02.318 LO Blue Boar Lane	1,150.
03.017 LO Northfield Town Line	1,100.
04.008 LO ES Intervale Road	12,550.
10.005 LO ES Briar Bush Road	31,200.
11.031 LO off Baptist Road	6,400.
11.032 LO off Baptist Road	6,400.
13.007 LO ES Misery Road	6,550.
16.015 LO ES Whitney Hill Road	3,600.
16.015.001 LO NS Lovejoy Road	2,200.
17.004.002 LO off Route 106, Rocky Pond	1,700.
18.005 LO ES Route 106	28,600.
02.204 84 Canterbury Shore Dr.	8,250.
02.231 85 Canterbury Shore Dr.	1,800.
02.333.002 Flowage & Dam Rights	1,000.
01.011 LO NS Intervale Rd. T/L	100.
01.012 LO NS Intervale Rd. T/L	150.
Total:	<hr/> \$638,700.

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**Year Ending December 31, 1989**

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash in hands of treasurer	464,017.23
Cash in hands of selectmen	3,013.56
Sam Lake Income Account	2,693.95
Capital Reserve Funds:	
Highway Equipment	10,477.77
Highway Truck	12,740.64
Police Cruiser	4,839.97
Revaluation	967.53
Fire Truck	8,933.37
Highway Road Grader	58,559.67
Conservation Commission Land Fund	27,750.58
Dump Closeout	34,340.08
Dump Transfer Station	2,573.99
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1988	41,800.43
Levy of 1987	9,185.31
Levy of previous years	3,957.60
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1989	308,206.88
Levy of previous years	9,368.33
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,003,426.89</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Sam Lake Income Account	2,693.95
Conservation Commission Land Fund	27,750.58
Due to School District	659,862.95
Capital Reserve Funds	133,433.02
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>823,740.50</b>
Excess of assets (surplus)	179,686.39

**TOWN OF CANTERBURY**  
**LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS**  
**STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

**December 31, 1989**

**Fire Truck Bond:**

Rate of interest:	5.25%
Amount of original issue:	112,000.00
Date of original issue:	10/01/87
Principal payment date:	April 15
Interest payment date:	April 15
Payable at:	BankEast, Concord

**Maturities**

<b>Fiscal Yr. Ending</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>
December 31, 1990	22,400.00	4,960.11 (Est.)
December 31, 1991	22,400.00	3,270.40 (Est.)
December 31, 1992	<u>22,400.00</u>	<u>1,635.20</u> (Est.)
Totals	67,200.00	9,865.71

## TREASURER'S REPORT — 1989

### Receipts:

Tax Collector	\$1,799,934.04
Town Clerk	128,868.50
NH Highway Subsidy	45,976.82
NH Additional Highway Subsidy	1,649.06
NH Gas Tax ref.	1,872.97
NH Revenue Sharing	44,408.28
NH Forest Fire Reimb.	366.63
Board of Adjustment Hearings	670.40
Current Use Fees	21.00
Building Permits & Renewals	6,150.00
Pistol Permits	56.00
Building & Zoning Ordinances	90.44
Sub Division Fees	670.90
Refunds	311.00
Rent — Town Hall	25.00
NSF Check Charges	120.00
Taxes, Deeded Property	2,170.33
Interest on Investments	14,608.21
Use of Copier	121.65
Police Reports	260.00
Insurance Proceeds	22,221.45
Unclaimed Checks	80.15
Other Income	1,748.00
Forest Fire Reimb.	295.20
Sam Lake Bldg. Add'n Funds	32,500.00
Sub-div. Escrow	2,000.00

**TOTAL RECEIPTS 1989:** \$2,107,196.03

Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1989 341,701.39

**TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:** \$2,448,897.42

<b>Less:</b> Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$1,949,884.49
Sam Lake Bldg. Add'n Pymts	7,500.00
Fire Truck Note Payment	22,400.00
Interest on Fire Truck Note	5,073.35
NSF Checks Ret'd.	21.00
Misc. Expense	1.35

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES:** \$1,984,880.19

Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1989 \$ 464,017.23

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND**  
Balance December 31, 1989

**NH Savings Bank Insured  
Money Market Account** **\$27,750.58**

**SAM LAKE TRUST INCOME FUND**  
Balance December 31, 1989

**NH Savings Bank Insured  
Money Market Account** **\$2,693.95**

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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The year 1989 was a watershed year — one in which previously established initiatives and plans came together, resulting in significant change.

A Building Committee composed of all Town Board and Committee Chairmen oversaw the addition to the Sam Lake House which will provide much needed meeting space and office area to conduct Town Business. The project, designed by architect Jerry Weger and Anne (Fifield) Weger will be completed in the Spring, when contractor Mike Cote will be completing the exterior of the building, erecting a fence and finishing the landscaping. The total cost of the project was \$56,000, all of which will be paid for through the Sam Lake Trust Fund.

A new heating system (replacing the electric heat), creation of a second floor meeting room and the provision for storage for Historical Society Archive materials are only a few of the many advantages this new facility will provide.

Last year's Town Meeting authorized the Selectmen to proceed with the construction of a transfer station and appropriated \$65,000 for that purpose. As we worked to bring the project to fruition, we found that three-phase electric power was not available at the dump to operate the trash compactor we intended to buy. Further, we learned that the cost to bring three-phase power to the dump from the Center would add \$40,000 to the cost of the project — money we did not have.

In reviewing other alternatives available to us, we determined that the best solution to our problem was to purchase a compacting truck made by Leach Corporation for trash handling. We withdrew \$20,000 from the capital reserve fund and combined that sum with the \$22,400 in proceeds from the insurance payment received when the dump building burned. A contract was awarded to rebuild the building, which incor-

porated the construction of three bottle bins, the purchase of a glass crusher and the construction of an attached shed area to house the Leach compacting truck. We were able to do this work without borrowing the additional \$45,000 approved by Town Meeting.

The Recycling Committee under the chairmanship of Melanie Stephens has worked diligently to lay plans for assisting the Selectmen in instituting mandatory recycling at the dump. In addition, a dump manager will be hired in 1990 to help bring the dump to a more organized and efficient operation.

We would like to extend our deep appreciation to Ben Ladd for his time and generous donation of the architectural drawings for the recycling bins at the dump.

The Town owned industrial land has been listed with Keewaydin Real Estate, but no activity has occurred to date.

A request for proposal for cable television was compiled by Sumner Dole at the Selectmen's request. Sumner did an excellent job in researching the subject and prepared a complete and professional bid document. We thank him for the time and effort he volunteered to complete this task. We hope to report on this project at Town Meeting.

The proposed warrant for 1990 includes several proposals which we hope you will support, particularly redirection of some of the Capital Reserve Funds to current needs. We believe such action will be in the best interests of the Town.

We would like to express our appreciation to the town office staff, department heads and employees and other boards for their help and cooperation over the past year.

Robert Scarponi, Chairman  
Leroy Glines  
Michael O'Neil

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989**

DEBITS		Levies Of:
Uncollected Taxes — Beginning of Fiscal Year	1989	Prior
Property Taxes .....		\$266,074.55
Resident Taxes .....		\$2,380.00
Land Use Change Taxes .....		5,000.00
Yield Taxes.....		4,488.33
 Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes .....	\$1,731,293.34	
Land Use Change Taxes .....	16,370.00	
Yield Taxes.....	24,470.79	1,285.00
 Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes .....	2,388.39	
 Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes .....	559.96	5,431.90
 Interest Collected on		
Delinquent Taxes.....	2,439.30	19,357.16
TOTAL DEBITS.....	<u><u>\$1,777,521.78</u></u>	<u><u>\$304,016.94</u></u>

**CREDITS**

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes .....	\$1,420,781.07	\$267,676.53
Land Use Change Taxes .....	14,570.00	2,500.00
Yield Taxes.....	23,115.64	1,285.00
Interest on Taxes .....	2,439.30	19,357.16
 Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes .....	7,335.81	3,829.92
Yield Taxes.....	750.08	
Deeded .....	323.00	
 Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes .....	305,801.81	
Resident Taxes.....		2,380.00
Land Use Change Taxes .....	1,800.00	2,500.00
Yield Taxes.....	605.07	4,488.33
TOTAL CREDITS.....	<u><u>\$1,777,521.78</u></u>	<u><u>\$304,016.94</u></u>

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALE/TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989**

DEBITS		CREDITS	
	Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies of: 1988 1987 Prior		
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes			
Beginning of Fiscal Year .....	\$13,223.00		
Taxes Sold/Executed to Town			
During Fiscal Year .....	\$78,919.29		
Interest Collected After			
Sale/Lien Execution .....	1,410.48	1,054.04	1,114.84
Redemption Cost .....	300.00	240.00	300.00
<b>TOTAL DEBITS .....</b>	<b>\$80,629.77</b>	<b>\$14,517.04</b>	<b>\$12,702.00</b>
Remittance to Treasurer			
During Fiscal Year:			
Redemptions .....	\$34,002.40	\$ 3,632.08	\$ 6,155.50
Interest & Cost After Sale .....	1,710.48	1,294.04	1,414.84
Abatements During Year .....	2,712.40	314.21	1,174.06
Deeded to Town During Year .....	404.06	91.40	
Unredeemed Taxes — End of Year .....	41,800.43	9,185.31	3,957.60
<b>TOTAL CREDITS .....</b>	<b>\$80,629.77</b>	<b>\$14,517.04</b>	<b>\$12,702.00</b>

**Report of the Trust Funds for the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 1989**

Name & Purpose of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL					INCOME			
	Bal. at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains Losses	With-Drawals	Bal. at end of Year	Bal. at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expend. During Year	Bal. End Year
1873 Benjamin Whidden — Cong. Church	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	17.67	17.67	0.00	55.63
1918 Lucia Elkins — Library Books	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	55.63	353.48	353.48	0.00	
1918 Lucia Elkins — Library Repairs	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	88.37	88.37	0.00	
1960 Frank Drew — Library Unrestricted	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	265.11	265.11	0.00	
1965 Arthur & Mary Mudge — Library	424.00	0.00	0.00	424.00	0.00	37.47	37.47	0.00	
1908 Cemetery Care — Cemetery lots	16,925.50	100.00	0.00	17,025.00	4,729.40	2,012.36	2,012.36	0.00	6,741.76
1976 Cemetery Improvements	4,125.00	0.00	0.00	4,125.00	1,136.39	863.85	863.85	0.00	2,000.24
1918 Lucia Elkins — S & W Poor	6,987.00	0.00	0.00	6,987.00	4,812.53	1,055.55	1,055.55	0.00	5,646.08
1955 John Kezar — School District	3,702.10	0.00	0.00	3,702.10	0.00	365.37	365.37	0.00	141.29
1971 Thompson Memorial	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	373.43	65.01	65.01	0.00	438.44
1965 Benevolent Fund — Glasses/Dental	700.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	980.10	114.66	114.66	0.00	1,094.76
1968 Canterbury Youth Fund	751.00	0.00	0.00	751.00	850.25	209.60	209.60	0.00	1,039.85
Sub Total	42,314.10	100.00	0.00	42,414.10	12,937.73	5,448.50	5,448.50	1,208.18	17,178.05
1960 Capital Reserve — New Highway Equipment	4,687.29	1,500.00	0.00	6,187.29	3,707.68	582.80	582.80	0.00	4,290.48
1984 Capital Reserve — Truck Reserve	11,799.94	5,000.00	0.00	7,000.00	9,799.94	1,954.95	985.75	0.00	2,940.70
1981 Capital Reserve — Police Cruiser	4,020.00	0.00	0.00	4,020.00	0.00	572.52	247.45	0.00	819.97
1982 Capital Reserve — Revaluation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	915.87	51.66	51.66	0.00	967.53
1985 Capital Reserve — Fire Truck	6,624.21	0.00	0.00	6,624.21	1,792.93	516.23	516.23	0.00	2,309.16
1985 Capital Reserve — Road Grader	40,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	4,358.67	4,201.00	0.00	8,559.67
1986 Capital Reserve — Landfill	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	2,093.53	2,246.55	2,246.55	0.00	4,340.08
1986 Capital Reserve — Dumpstation	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	1,048.78	1,048.78	0.00	2,573.99
Sub Totals	117,131.44	16,500.00	0.00	27,000.00	106,631.44	16,444.93	10,356.65	0.00	26,801.58
TOTALS:	159,445.54	16,600.00	0.00	27,000.00	149,045.54	29,382.66	15,805.15	1,208.18	43,979.63

## REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY — 1989

1989 was a year of revitalization for the Canterbury Historical Society. The Board of Directors — officers and trustees — now is represented by youthful enthusiasm, energy and new ideas balanced by maturity, wisdom and a detailed knowledge of the town. During the past year, organization of the Society was tightened and made more efficient. Six meetings were held with programs ranging from producing herbal vinegars (Peg Mastey) to open hearth cooking (Mr. and Mrs. Michael Couvillion), as well as a potluck supper held on the 20th Annual Meeting in October. A well-attended open house at the Houser Museum in May and again for the Canterbury Fair allowed many visitors to appreciate our Canterbury heritage. Two newsletters were sent to every household in town. The price of the *History of Canterbury* was reduced, resulting in increased numbers purchased by Canterbury residents. The contents of the Houser Museum were videotaped for insurance purposes and new artifacts relating to Canterbury were purchased for the Collection. The greatest achievement of the year was the virtual completion of sorting fifteen boxes of papers stored in the Museum closet. Board and Society members who participated in this task are commended for their efforts. Additionally, the collection of Luther Cody negatives has been catalogued and the collection of clothing and costumes has been sorted, ready for restoration and exhibition. Lastly, a survey of the Museum building is underway to determine what repairs and modifications are needed. To that end, the money from the 1989 town budget has been used to purchase a dehumidifier to maintain better environmental control inside the Museum.

As the Society looks forward to a new year, I want to thank Board members, Society members and townspeople who have actively supported our rebirth. It would not have happened without your time, energy and commitment to Canterbury's past.

Patricia A. Andrews  
President  
Canterbury Historical Society

## ELKINS LIBRARY REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES — 1989

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During this last year we have been pleased to see an increase in library usage. Our circulation has grown more than seven percent since last year, and although we don't keep track of number of patrons each day, we have many new library users. We hope that any town resident who is not currently an active member of the library will stop by and get a card and check out some of our books, magazines or audio books on tape.

Our major project, a sign with our hours which can be read from the road, is completed and waiting until the frost leaves the ground to be installed. Our bathroom facilities are now fully renovated, a project which was largely completed last year. During the new year plans are to paint exterior trim on the library.

The summer reading program, "A Summer Reading Safari" involved many local children in reading over the summer. In December Bob Scarponi was of great help in bringing Santa Claus to the annual library Christmas Open House. The annual book sale at the Fair was a success, and we thank all of those who contributed books and other library materials, or their time and energy.

The trustees also said regretful farewells to several board members this year. Many thanks to Doris Hampton, Bill Meeh, Rita Braskie, Penny Crabtree and Leslie Keeler for the many hours they invested in the library over the past several years they served on the library board. We welcomed new members Juanita Field as secretary, Mark Hampton as treasurer, and Virginia Laplante, as well as Patty Laufman, and Edie Posselt as temporary members of the library board.

We would like to remind all town residents that if you are unable to get to the library due to ill health or lack of

transportation, please call us and we will try to be of assistance to you.

Barbara Cook, Chairman  
Mark Hampton, Treasurer  
Juanita Field, Secretary  
Virginia Laplante  
David Swenson  
Edith Possett  
Patty Laufman

## **LIBRARIAN'S REPORT**

**Total Circulation 6,847**

Adult Fiction	2,477
Adult Non-Fiction	669
Youth Fiction	2,645
Youth Non-Fiction	553
Magazines	50
Tapes	453

**Books Purchased in 1989**

Adult Fiction	158
Adult Non-Fiction	36
Youth Fiction	97
Youth Non-Fiction	25
Tapes	35
Books Donated	85

1989 was a very successful year at the Elkins Library. The circulation went up this year by 478 books and 421 tapes. We will be buying more books and tapes to keep up with the demand. Also the inter-library service is busier than ever.

In the spring of this year we will be offering some interesting programs so please come and enjoy your library.

Julie Brillhart, Librarian  
Sue Holmes, Assistant Librarian  
Carol Landry, Assistant Librarian

**ELKINS PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**Treasurer's Report — 1989**

**Disbursements:**

Salaries	\$ 6,575.25
Social Security	493.80
Books and Magazines	3,781.09
Repairs and Maintenance	79.00
Equipment and Supplies	874.78
Postage	100.17
Electric	459.88
Phone	322.06
Oil	606.65
Bathroom renovation	1,304.60
New Sign	375.00
Miscellaneous	41.57
Reimbursement to Town	<u>3,372.58</u>
	\$18,386.43

**Receipts:**

Balance on hand 1/1/89	—0—
Town of Canterbury Appropriation	\$16,700.00
Interest	<u>446.16</u>
	\$17,146.16

**Elkins Library Holding Account:**

Balance December 31, 1988	\$7,797.87
Income: Trust funds:	
Elkins Books	353.65
Elkins Repairs	88.41
Drew	265.23
Mudge	37.49
Fines, gifts, interest	789.04
State grant	124.23
Book fair	<u>544.62</u>
	\$2,202.67
Disbursements:	
To offset deficit	\$1,962.26
Balance on Hand — December 31, 1989	\$8,038.28

## POLICE STATISTICS FOR 1989

### MOTOR VEHICLE SUMMONSES & WARNINGS FOR 1989

Allowing Improper Person To Operate .....	2
Bald Tires .....	1
Child Restraint Not in Place ..	1
Defective Equipment	
Tags Issued.....	96
Defective Equipment	
Summons Issued .....	9
Failure To Dim Lights .....	1
Failure To Display Plates .....	1
Failure To Notify MV Dept. of Address Change.....	7
Failure To Yield Right Of Way After Stopping .....	1
Following Too Close.....	2
Improper Turn.....	1
Littering .....	2
Obstruction Of Drivers View ..	1
Operating Without A Valid License .....	13
Passing A School Bus .....	3
Solid Line Violation .....	3
Speeding Summons Issued .....	43
Stop Sign Violations .....	9
Turning On A Curve .....	1
Uninspected Motor Vehicle .....	5
Unregistered Motor Vehicle .....	8
Unsafe Backing .....	1
Verbal Warnings For MV Violations .....	194
Written Warnings Issued - MV Violations .....	227
Written Warnings Issued For Speeding .....	<u>32</u>
<b>Total Motor Vehicle     Summons And     Warnings Issued .....</b>	<b>664</b>

### CRIMINAL ACTIVITY FOR 1989

Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault .....	1
Attempted Burglaries .....	3
Auto Theft .....	2
Assault On A Police Officer.....	1
Bad Checks .....	6
Bail Jumping .....	2
Bench Warrants Issued .....	7
Bench Warrants Executed .....	3
Burglaries .....	15
Criminal Mischief .....	39
Criminal Threatening .....	15
Criminal Trespass .....	41
Civil Cases .....	3
Disorderly Conduct.....	9
Domestic And/Or Neighborhood Disputes .....	22
Illegal Dumping Reported .....	18
Noise Complaints .....	19
Open Doors Found .....	8
Possession Of Controlled Drugs .....	30
Prank Calls Reported .....	5
Reckless Operation Of MV's Reported .....	4
Recovered Stolen Automobiles ..	2
Resisting Arrest .....	6
Simple Assaults .....	3
Suspected DWI's Reported .....	14
Suspicious Persons Reported ..	187
Suspicious Vehicles Reported ..	92
Thefts Reported .....	27
Thefts Of Motor Vehicles .....	2
Criminal Activity By Juveniles ..	<u>34</u>

**Total Criminal Activity .....** 620\*

\*\*(Increase Of 76 Over Total Criminal  
Activity Of 544 In 1988).

**MOTOR VEHICLE ARRESTS  
FOR 1989**

Disobeying A Police Officer .....	7
DWI 1st Offense .....	1
DWI Subsequent Offense.....	2
Failure To Report An Accident .....	1
Habitual Offender.....	1
Misuse Of Plates .....	1
Operating After Revocation/Suspension .....	16
Reckless Operation .....	1
Transportation Of Controlled Drugs.....	19
Transportation Of Alcohol By Minors.....	<u>23</u>
<b>Total Motor Vehicle Arrests .....</b>	<b><u>72**</u></b>

\*\*(Increase Of 3 Over Total Of 69 In 1988).

**CRIMINAL ARRESTS  
FOR 1989**

Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault .....	1
Assault .....	2
Assault On A Police Officer.....	1
Bench Warrant Arrests .....	11
Burglaries .....	9
Criminal Threatening .....	1
Fugitive From Justice .....	2
Military Desertion.....	1
Possession Of Alcohol By Minors.....	49
Possession Of Controlled Drugs .....	23
Possession Of Cont. Drugs With Intent To Distribute....	4
Possession Of Narcotic Drugs ..	3
Protective Custody Arrests For Intoxication .....	7
Reckless Conduct .....	2
Resisting Arrest .....	6
Theft .....	<u>2</u>
<b>Total Criminal Arrests .....</b>	<b><u>124**</u></b>

\*\*(Increase Of 19 Over Total Of 105  
In 1988).

**Total Motor Vehicle/Criminal  
Arrests for 1989 .....** **196\*\***  
\*\*(Increase Of 22 Over Combined  
Total Of 174 In 1988).

**MISCELLANEOUS  
POLICE INFORMATION**

Alarms .....	59
Animal Complaint Calls .....	119
Assist To Fire Department .....	18
Assist To Other Police Departments .....	104
Disabled Motor Vehicles .....	48
Drownings .....	1
Juvenile Runaways .....	6
Juvenile Runaways Found .....	6
Lockouts .....	23
Medical Emergency Response Assists .....	15
Miscellaneous Police Service Calls .....	2,603
Missing Persons Reported .....	1
Missing Persons Found.....	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents .....	58
Occult Calls (Unfounded) .....	1
Plane Crashes .....	1
Reported UFO Sighting .....	1
Vacant House Check Requests .....	<u>81</u>
<b>Total Police Miscellaneous.....</b>	<b><u>3,146**</u></b>

\*\*(Increase Of 1,351 Over Total Of  
1,795 In 1988).

**Total Telephone Calls Received  
For Canterbury Police .....** **3,598**

## REPORT OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

As you'll be able to see from the call summary to be passed out at town meeting, business has remained brisk. The new road numbering system has helped immeasurably in locating residences and crossroads. When you call in a fire or medical emergency or spot a strange smoke be sure to give the road number to the dispatcher.

An intense training schedule has pretty much taken up most of our Monday nights this year. We now have five First Responders, eight certified Emergency Technicians, five more Certified Firefighters, and three Career Level Firefighters. Five members have completed the Incident Command Course which presented a unified State-wide system of emergency management. Sound management techniques applied to local emergency situations helped us to live through the eight brush fire day of last April. Several members attended Meadowood Fire School this year and have attended Hazardous Materials Seminars throughout the State. Between training sessions, meetings, calls, and vehicle maintenance, your Canterbury neighbors have donated an average of **ten volunteer hours per firefighter every week** to the Fire Department. All this activity is supported by your tax dollar **alone** and accounts for only about 6% of the town operating budget.

At a recent structure fire in town the owner directed a fire extinguisher at the fire and greatly reduced the fire damage, but he first called 225-3355 to get us started. The use of smoke detectors to save lives and the proliferation of portable ABC extinguishers has reduced losses significantly. However, "Big Fires Start Small", so call us as soon as you're sure your family is safe.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Caswell, Chief  
Canterbury Fire Dept.

## **REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

To say that the eight brush fires on April 27 taxed the resources of the CVFD would be an understatement. The Dunbars were surprised to see Bob Moretto and his son Tony show up alone in a fire truck and proceed to extinguish the fire that was about twenty feet from their house and closing fast. Wayne and Ruth Mann displayed good lawn raking techniques in scratching out the flames in a nearby field. Several other citizens assisted the 110 firefighters and 22 pieces of apparatus from towns as far away as Bradford and Gilmanton Iron Works in containing several fires which were simultaneously raging out of control that hot, dry, spring day. Canterbury is a good example of what the U.S. Forest Service calls the "Urban-Wildland Interface". Placing houses in old fields which have built up fuel loads over the years, and then adding electric fences for pleasure or hobby animals, and combining this with a hot and windy day and you have the ingredients for a fast moving brush fire. The forty-four square miles of town contain many acres of hilly forestland with its potential logging slash. Fortunately, we have good equipment and increased levels of training to cope with this growing segment of our fire business. With State Forest Fire budgets being cut resulting in less manning of fire towers and aircraft spotter flights, we all will have to be more brush fire conscious this coming spring.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Caswell  
Forest Fire Warden

## **REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD — 1989**

During 1989 the Planning Board continued its monthly hearings for subdivisions and for the first time performed a Site Plan Review. These activities remained fairly constant and we had a full agenda each week. There was some slow down towards the end of the year which may be due to the reduced real estate activity in the region.

Along with our regular hearings the Board continued to review and update the governing regulations for the town. With the completion of the Plan for Tomorrow in 1988 the major effort shifted to the review of the current Zoning Ordinances. This has been an ongoing task for the past three years and two documents still remain to be reviewed: the Site Plan Review Regulations and the Subdivision Regulations.

In the review of the Zoning Ordinances we have tried to follow those recommendations from the Plan for Tomorrow and the changes that have been recommended through our weekly meetings and a series of public hearings over the past year. Those changes that have been proposed are the result of numerous hours of work and are based on the review of model ordinances, ordinances that are used in the surrounding communities and recommendations from the Central N.H. Regional Planning Commission. These along with the experiences of the Board, have contributed to the revised Ordinances that the Town will vote on in March.

As Chairman I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Board members who over the past three years have put in a tremendous amount of time and effort to review and to give the community the opportunity to discuss and vote on the Zoning changes.

The updating of the Town's ordinances should be an ongoing activity and with the constant changes in the laws governing land use it will be necessary for the Planning Board and the community to review and adjust their ordinances. The Town and the Board should continue to use this as a forum to plan for the future growth of Canterbury.

Alan Hodsdon, Chairman

**TOWN OF CANTERBURY**  
**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**  
**1989 REVIEW**

<b>Case Number</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Appeal</b>	<b>Decision</b>
1989-1	Wesley Nelson	Variance - Use	Granted
1989-2	Wayne Mann	Variance - Setback	Denied
1989-3	Edward & Jean Bezanson	Variance - R.O.W.	Granted
1989-4	Luke Smith	Special Exception Business - Com. Zone	Denied
1989-5	Luke Smith	Special Exception Business - Com. Zone	Granted Conditionally
1989-5A	Luke Smith	Rehearing	Granted
1989-6	Steven & Madeleine Lowe	Special Exception Home Occupation	Granted
1989-7	John P. Raymond	Variance - Setback	Granted
1989-8	Harold Streeter	Special Exception Home Occupation	Granted
1989-9	Raymond Glines	Special Exception Excavate Sand	Granted
1989-10	Donna San Antonio	Special Exception Com. - Zone	Granted Conditionally
1989-11	Frederick Proulx	Appeal of Adminis- trative Decision	Granted
1989-12	Greg & Ruth Heath	Special Exception Apartment	Granted Conditionally
1989-13	Judith Demers	Special Exception Home Occupation	Granted
1989-14	Luke Smith	Rehearing Special Exception	Denied
1989-15	John LaPlante	Variance - Setback	Denied
1989-16	John LaPlante	Variance - Setback	Granted
1989-17	Sue Martin	Variance - Setback	Denied

Joseph Halla, Chairman

## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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The Conservation Commission in 1989 has had a busy and most productive year.

Our commitment with the "Trust for N.H. lands" is explained on a separate page. Again, we want to thank Lois and Don Booth for their cooperation and generosity in acquiring "The Riverland Conservation Area" which in its entirety amounts to 100 acres.

The Commission has been helping the state in monitoring wetland related activities and also working with the selectmen and planning board on various aspects of conservation projects. The current use penalty tax monies are now dedicated to conservation projects.

We will be continuing the relandscaping in the center, continue sponsoring the household hazards waste collection day in October '90. Also, the town sponsors one or two people age 14-18 for the Society for Protection of NH Forest Conservation camp in June. Please contact Bob Fife before May 10 if you are interested.

The Commission will be looking into a prime wetland study this year. We plan to have ongoing management for our conservation properties involving trails and clean-up projects.

It was a good year for wildlife. There were several otters in Kimball pond and more partridge than there have been for years.

I want to express my thanks to my commission members for their generous involvement in our conservation projects.

There was an aerial reconnaissance of Canterbury, especially the wetlands and our conservation properties. Thanks to Joe Harpham for piloting and Frank Tupper for the video and pictures.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert S. Fife, Chairman  
Conservation Commission

## CANTERBURY RECYCLING COMMITTEE REPORT

Our recycling efforts in Canterbury this year were affected by the changes in the regional recycling markets. Glass recycling facilities are insisting on higher standards for contamination-free glass and there is a glut of recycled newspaper nation-wide. The Recycling Committee has spent its time addressing these circumstances and has worked with the Selectmen to adjust so that Canterbury can continue its good work.

Since the fire at the Recycling Center an addition has been built to accommodate larger storage space for glass as well as a glass crusher to reduce the volume and increase the weight of our glass. This new system will include sorting tables to guarantee uncontaminated glass in large quantities in order to gain the highest price for our material. Present glass is being stockpiled until the new system is ready for use.

Aluminum cans will continue to be recycled and we are hoping to include tin cans in our efforts.

Newspaper will be stored in the old glass bins when that space is empty. These will have to be bundled to stack neatly and efficiently, again to achieve lower volume and higher weight for transportation.

The improved facility should offer an efficient process for recycling materials well. We look forward to working with everyone in Town to deal responsibly with our waste and to keep our trash costs as low as possible. More detailed instructions for using the Recycling Center will follow as we get close to operating.

Many thanks to all in their recycling efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Stephens, Chairperson  
Winnifred Wingate  
Bill Badgley  
Ben Ladd  
Geoff Hubbell  
Karin Moffet

## LAND CONSERVATION

The new major effort of the conservation commission is acquiring a conservation easement on 200 acres of field, forest, wetlands and a Shaker Pond from the Meeh family. This is part of a combined effort with the state Land Conservation Investment Program to protect a total of 800 acres. Originally the state was to acquire the entire 800 acre easement. Concerns of the property owners over potential problems associated with granting unlimited public access to environmentally sensitive areas led to a collapse of the original plan because of the State's mandated access provision. The town through its conservation commission agreed with the Meeh family that the potential should exist to limit access to the agricultural fields, Shaker ponds and wetlands to protect their wildlife value. Because preservation of open space and wildlife habitat is fundamental to our land conservation goal, the town is planning on acquiring a conservation easement directly from the property owners without state assistance. We can then write an easement without state restrictions.

Because the town will protect this 200 acre area, the state will continue its commitment to protect the remaining 600 acres. We are hopeful that the efforts of the town, the Meeh family and the state will create a lasting legacy to preserving this large conservation area adjacent to Shaker Village.

The town conservation area along the Merrimack river which includes two ox-bow ponds, a sandy beach and other wildlife habitat which was acquired last year from the Booths under the Land Conservation Investment Program has officially been named "RIVERLAND CONSERVATION AREA". We will be constructing a short road and a new parking lot to keep vehicles off the fields and beach area. A nature trail will also be developed this summer.

We would also like to thank several other town residents for their generosity in granting land, and conservation easements directly to the Society for Protection of NH Forests. The combined efforts of the town and its concerned citizens insure the continued existence of our valuable natural resources.

Respectfully,

Ken Stern  
for the Conservation Commission

## REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

In the spring of 1989 the committee again sponsored a baseball program for players 8 to 12 years old. This included T-ball for the younger children and regular baseball for the older ones. The committee would like to thank Bob Crowell for organizing this program along with the many volunteer parents who braved the black flies and helped make this program a success. In addition to baseball this year a spring soccer program was started. This included several players from first through sixth grade and was played in Concord as we did not have enough field space available. When the new field is completed this travel will not be necessary and it is anticipated that this program will grow.

This past fall was an exciting and very busy time for the recreation committee. The soccer program was in full swing and the most significant amount of work on the new field was accomplished.

The soccer program continues to be a large success as eighty-one children participated from kindergarten up through sixth grade. The third through sixth graders represented Canterbury in the Merrimack Valley Youth Soccer League and this year the 3rd and 4th grade team were the champions of their division. Both 5th & 6th grade teams also did very well in the league. The Recreation Committee would like to thank the many coaches and parents for all their assistance during the long soccer season. We look forward to another great year next year.

The new soccer field that was discussed at last year's annual meeting is well on its way to completion. The final leveling and spreading of fertilizer, lime and seed is planned for this coming spring. This is really good news as more field space is badly needed. However, the best news is that none of the \$2,000.00 appropriated for the field last year will be spent! The reason for this is the excellent work done by Jeff Leidinger in organizing the field effort and receiving generous donations of time, equipment and money in place

of spending town funds. On behalf of the entire town the Committee would like to thank the following for their generous donations:

Jordan Milton	—Use of a D-9H bulldozer
D.J. Salyer	—Moved bulldozer to site and back
Steve Cochrane	—Personal time operating bulldozer
Reggie Rice	—Personal time operating bulldozer
Bob Cole	—Fuel for bulldozer
Gordon Jackson	—All the civil engineering work
John McPhail	—Mulch hay and sod farm expertise in planning seeding

It was a productive and exciting year for recreation in the town this past year and we look forward to another one next year. If you have any comments or suggestions, please contact one of the committee members.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Ennis, Chairman  
Kevin Hunt  
Jeffrey Leidinger  
Mason Newick  
Harold Boley, Alternate

## 1989 REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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The Industrial Development Committee met several times in 1989. The meetings involved selecting a real estate firm to represent the Town in promoting the development of the Town owned industrial site on West Road at Exit 18 off I-93. Advertising of the land brings us one step closer to our goal of having some commercial tax base. Unfortunately, with the depressed real estate market, not much has happened, although some interest has been shown.

Another step in the process of developing the site was to have some soil and water exploratory reports done. These are very general and no real conclusions have been reached about how to best address an adequate water source at the site.

Thanks to all who have given time to this worthwhile cause.

Respectfully submitted,

Leroy A. Glines - Selectman  
Cleve Kapala -  
Planning Board  
Douglas Ruesswick -  
Planning Board  
Robert Fife -  
Conservation Commission  
Chance Anderson -  
Conservation Commission

P. S. Anyone with an interest in helping on this project is welcome. The more ideas we have, the better the odds of reaching our goal.

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1989**

Date	Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1989				
Jan. 5	Concord	Ashley Nichole Blais	Wayne Joseph Blais	Diana Elaine MacNeil
7	Manchester	Leanne Marie Doucet	Wayne Francis Doucet	Pamela Jean Nicoll
18	Concord	Zachary Crouse Schiewetz	Mark Burt Schiewetz	Barbara Jane Crouse
Feb. 21	Concord	Robert Alan Kennedy	Byry Daniel Kennedy	Susan Lillia Baird
April 18	Concord	Sean Brian McCann	Kevin Michael McCann	Deborah Doran
20	Concord	Ellwyn Francis Hayslip V	Ellwyn Francis Hayslip V	Sally Fortier
May 3	Concord	Olivia Christina Palanza	Anthony Alan Palanza	Linda Rose Latorre
12	Concord	Nathan Andrew Holmes	Philip Wayne Holmes	Susan Irene Ferazzi
27	Concord	Tristan Thomas Black-Ingessoll	Douglas Lee Ingessoll	Rebecca Ann Black
June 9	Concord	Andrea Lynn Austin	Kevin Wayne Austin	Kelly Anne Downes
12	Manchester	Alyssa Shannon Freije	Peter John Freije	Lynn Marie Mondor
13	Laconia	Kayla Marie Webber	David Franklin Webber	Marguerite Mary Lakin
16	Concord	Benjamin Ansol Travis	Mark Lewis Travis	Brenda Jean Howland
20	Concord	Lauren Elizabeth Tracey	Gerard Thomas Tracey, Jr.	Rhonda Lee Hodges
29	Concord	Hanna Christina Trudo	Scott Duncan Trudo	Pandora Kontios
July 23	Concord	Corey Reed Harnish	Stephen Norman Harnish	Marsha Mae Reed
Aug. 1	Concord	Brian Charles Surels	Stephen Allen Surels	Christine Joy Marvel
23	Concord	Colby Michael Hall	James Robert Hall	Deborah Jean Shea
Nov. 9	Concord	Douglas Norman Stern	Kenneth John Stern	Irene Levine
9	Concord	Caroline Elizabeth Lemming	Simon Charles Lemming	Alice Marie McBride
9	Concord	Katie Elizabeth Manning	William Henry Manning	Patricia Elizabeth Loranger
10	Concord	John McCann Bassett	James Putnam Bassett	Ellen Adams
Dec. 19	Concord	Daniel Edward Moretto	Robert Moretto	Cynthia Fydenkevez
22	Concord	Nicolas Lee Harriman	Kevin Lee Harriman	Sandrina Lynne Goff
25	Concord	David Michael Hutchinson	Kevin Brian Hutchinson	Jan E. Eggleston

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE  
TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1989**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Groom and Bride</b>	<b>Place of Residence</b>
<b>1989</b>		
Feb. 21	David Franklin Webber Marguerite Mary Lakin	Revere, MA Canterbury, NH
April 22	Robert Alan Morrill Kathleen Bilodeau	Canterbury, NH Belmont, NH
July 4	Dennis Paul Phillips Deborah Ann Lemontagne	Madison, Conn. Madison, Conn.
15	Tracey John Dube Kathleen Barbara Raymond	Tamworth, NH Canterbury, NH
22	Edward N. Greene, Jr. April May Jenkins	Concord, NH Canterbury, NH
29	Brett Aaron Tucker Samantha Lynn Shibles	Laconia, NH Canterbury, NH
Aug. 5	Richard Michael Dougherty Kristin Diane Gesen	Canterbury, NH Concord, NH
Sept. 23	Brian Arthur Lockwood Julie Dolores Fifield	Gilmanton, NH Canterbury, NH
Oct. 6	Richard Edward Fowler, Jr. Lisa Amelia Fife	Penacook, NH Canterbury, NH
7	Louis Philippe Cote, III Michelle Rae Normandin	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
21	Dale Byron Coparanis Lisa Lynne Padula	Concord, NH Canterbury, NH
Nov. 4	Richard John Lakin, Jr. Irene Alice Berry	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH
11	Scot Peter Riley Tracey Lyn Labonte	Stafford Spring, Conn. Stafford Spring, Conn.
11	Stephen Andrew Mitiguy Nancy Ann Taylor	Canterbury, NH Canterbury, NH

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHERYL A. GORDON, Town Clerk

**DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1989**

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1989				
Feb. 20	Concord	Harold E. Mitchell	William R. Mitchell	Freida M. Strong
Apr. 16	Concord	John A.M. Walker	Frederick L. Walker	Evelyn I. Mozar
June 20	Concord	Rose M. Greenwood	Ernest T. Miner	Nora Chenette

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHERYL A. GORDON, Town Clerk

# Detail of the Budget

## 1990 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1989 Approp.	1989 Spent	1990 Approp.	Increase/ Decrease
<b>Town Officers Salaries</b>				
Selectmen's Salaries .....	5,500.00	5,086.94	5,500.00	— 0 —
Hourly Clerical Employees .....	16,300.00	18,305.20	17,115.00	815.00
Town Clerk Salary .....	1,000.00	—	1,000.00	— 0 —
Deputy Town Clerk Salary .....	8,750.00	6,410.25	9,187.00	437.00
Town Clerk Fees .....	5,500.00	3,075.00	7,000.00	1,500.00
Tax Collector Salary .....	10,000.00	8,820.96	10,000.00	— 0 —
Tax Collector Fees .....	2,000.00	2,130.93	2,500.00	500.00
Treasurer Salary .....	2,000.00	1,849.80	2,100.00	100.00
	<u>51,050.00</u>	<u>45,679.08</u>	<u>54,402.00</u>	<u>3,352.00</u>
<b>Town Officers Expenses</b>				
Health Insurance .....	1,000.00	1,349.04	1,572.00	572.00
Registry of Deeds/recording .....	500.00	466.50	500.00	— 0 —
Postage (All Town) .....	2,500.00	2,068.09	2,500.00	— 0 —
Selectmen's Seminars .....	100.00	145.00	200.00	100.00
Data Processing Services .....	1,700.00	1,626.79	1,938.00	238.00
Tax Map Maintenance .....	1,000.00	71.45	1,000.00	— 0 —
Telephone (Selectmen & Tax Coll.) ..	600.00	595.82	600.00	— 0 —
Printing (Selectmen & Tax Coll.) .....	500.00	411.88	500.00	— 0 —
Printing Town Report .....	2,800.00	2,946.00	3,000.00	200.00
Office Supplies (Selectmen & Tax Coll.) .....	2,500.00	2,349.04	2,500.00	— 0 —
Office Equipment (Lease computer) ..	250.00	144.95	2,050.00	1,800.00
Marriage License Fees to State .....	200.00	164.00	200.00	— 0 —
Town Clerk Seminars .....	700.00	1,248.50	700.00	— 0 —
Dog Tags .....	150.00	139.12	150.00	— 0 —
Tax Collector Seminars .....	300.00	— 0 —	300.00	— 0 —
Outside Auditing Service .....	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,250.00	250.00
Town Clerk & Tax Coll.				
Advertising .....	50.00	34.92	50.00	— 0 —
Petty Cash — Tax Collector .....	100.00	100.00	100.00	— 0 —
Office Equipment Repairs .....	150.00	960.48	150.00	— 0 —
	<u>18,100.00</u>	<u>17,821.58</u>	<u>21,260.00</u>	<u>3,160.00</u>
<b>Election &amp; Registration Expenses</b>				
Election & Registration Wages .....	175.00	415.67	888.00	713.00
Voter Checklists .....	50.00	— 0 —	50.00	— 0 —
Election Advertising .....	25.00	15.52	50.00	25.00
Election Misc. Supplies .....	50.00	10.50	50.00	— 0 —
	<u>300.00</u>	<u>441.69</u>	<u>1,038.00</u>	<u>738.00</u>
<b>Cemeteries</b>				
Cemeteries Wages .....	5,000.00	5,778.00	5,500.00	500.00
Cemeteries Equipment Repairs .....	200.00	127.00	200.00	— 0 —
Cemeteries Gasoline & Oil .....	200.00	240.00	200.00	— 0 —
Cemeteries Parts & Supplies .....	500.00	133.87	500.00	— 0 —
	<u>5,900.00</u>	<u>6,278.87</u>	<u>6,400.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>

# 1990 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1989 Approp.	1989 Spent	1990 Approp.	Increase/ Decrease
<b>General Government Buildings</b>				
Canterbury Center Electricity (Bandstand) .....	175.00	195.48	195.00	20.00
Town Hall Maintenance .....	12,500.00	— 0 —	500.00	(12,000.00)
Town Hall Electricity .....	400.00	289.99	400.00	— 0 —
Town Hall Heating Oil .....	250.00	213.69	250.00	— 0 —
Highway/Fire Dept. Maintenance .....	500.00	2,638.94	4,900.00	4,400.00
Highway/Fire Dept. Electricity .....	1,500.00	1,624.16	2,000.00	500.00
Highway/Fire Dept. Heating Oil .....	1,500.00	3,066.61	1,500.00	— 0 —
Sam Lake House Maintenance .....	500.00	949.38	1,500.00	1,000.00
Sam Lake House Electricity .....	1,500.00	2,141.41	750.00	(750.00)
Sam Lake House Heating Oil .....	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,000.00	1,000.00
Police Dept. Building Maint. — (Sam Lake Trust) .....	50.00	— 0 —	50.00	— 0 —
Police Dept. Building Electricity .....	500.00	562.91	600.00	100.00
Historical Society Maintenance .....	200.00	— 0 —	200.00	— 0 —
Historical Society Electricity .....	150.00	153.03	200.00	50.00
	19,725.00	11,835.60	14,045.00	(5,680.00)
<b>Industrial Expense</b>				
Industrial Park Expenses .....	8,000.00	2,137.70	— 0 —	(8,000.00)
	8,000.00	2,137.70	— 0 —	(8,000.00)
<b>Reappraisal of Property</b>				
Property Appraisal (Yearly pickups/New Const.) .....	4,000.00	4,295.00	4,500.00	500.00
	4,000.00	4,295.00	4,500.00	500.00
<b>Planning and Zoning</b>				
Planning Board Sec. Wages .....	2,500.00	1,494.58	2,000.00	(500.00)
Planning Board Seminars .....	200.00	21.00	200.00	— 0 —
Planning Board Registry of Deeds .....	50.00	— 0 —	50.00	— 0 —
Planning Board Postage .....	500.00	1,009.53	500.00	— 0 —
Planning Board Advertising .....	350.00	277.87	350.00	— 0 —
Planning Board Printing .....	150.00	2,145.90	150.00	— 0 —
Planning Board Supplies .....	150.00	345.32	150.00	— 0 —
Planning Board Equipment .....	100.00	— 0 —	100.00	— 0 —
Planning Board Prof. Services .....	4,000.00	— 0 —	2,000.00	(2,000.00)
Board of Adjustment Sec. Salary .....	750.00	401.63	750.00	— 0 —
Board of Adjustment Seminars .....	50.00	— 0 —	50.00	— 0 —
Board of Adjustment Postage .....	100.00	203.64	100.00	— 0 —
Board of Adjustment Advertising .....	500.00	413.59	500.00	— 0 —
Board of Adjustment Supplies .....	50.00	90.97	50.00	— 0 —
Board of Adjustment Printing .....	— 0 —	49.98	— 0 —	— 0 —
	9,450.00	6,454.01	6,950.00	(2,500.00)
<b>Legal Expenses</b>				
Attorney Expenses .....	2,500.00	4,400.70	3,000.00	500.00
	2,500.00	4,400.70	3,000.00	500.00
<b>Regional Associations</b>				
N.H. Resource Recovery Assn. ....	100.00	100.00	100.00	— 0 —
Town Clerk/Tax Coll. Assn. Dues .....	50.00	67.00	50.00	— 0 —
Central N.H. Planning Commission .....	1,358.00	1,358.00	1,464.00	106.00
N.H.M.A. Membership .....	450.00	492.70	500.00	50.00
Assn. of Assessing Officials Dues .....	— 0 —	— 0 —	— 0 —	— 0 —
Regional/Concord Solid Waste Coop .....	500.00	— 0 —	800.00	300.00
	2,458.00	2,017.70	2,914.00	456.00

# 1990 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1989 Approp.	1989 Spent	1990 Approp.	Increase/ Decrease
<b>Police Department</b>				
Police Dept. Wages .....	35,000.00	33,938.00	36,750.00	1,750.00
Police Dept. Cruiser Maintenance .....	2,000.00	4,871.28	3,000.00	1,000.00
Police Dept. Telephone .....	500.00	455.43	500.00	— 0 —
Police Dept. Dispatch Services .....	5,500.00	5,911.00	6,179.00	679.00
Police Dept. Radios & Repairs .....	2,700.00	1,475.89	2,000.00	(700.00)
Police Dept. Office Supplies .....	500.00	536.88	600.00	100.00
Police Dept. Uniforms .....	400.00	795.65	400.00	— 0 —
Police Dept. Gasoline .....	3,700.00	3,025.42	3,700.00	— 0 —
Police Dept. Health Insurance .....	1,000.00	1,349.04	1,572.00	572.00
Police Dept. Retirement .....	2,000.00	2,475.80	2,500.00	500.00
Police Dept. Misc. Supplies .....	200.00	181.06	— 0 —	(200.00)
Police Dept. New Equipment .....		1,710.47		
	53,500.00	56,725.92	57,201.00	3,701.00
<b>Fire Department</b>				
Fire Dept. Reimbursement .....	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Forest Fire Costs .....	2,200.00	2,384.97	2,200.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Vehicle Maintenance .....	3,500.00	4,132.24	4,700.00	1,200.00
Fire Dept. Training & Prevention .....	1,000.00	1,795.80	1,000.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Dispatch Services .....	5,875.00	5,286.88	6,446.00	571.00
Fire Dept. Radios & Repairs .....	1,200.00	1,697.66	1,200.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Misc. Supplies (Water Sources) .....	700.00	427.11	1,000.00	300.00
Fire Dept. Gasoline & Oil .....	1,500.00	1,218.80	1,500.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Replacement Equip. .....	5,200.00	5,133.64	5,200.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Medical Training .....	400.00	21.20	400.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Medical Supplies .....	800.00	757.41	800.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Firefighting Equip. Maint. .....	2,000.00	986.56	2,000.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Office Equip. & Supplies .....	200.00	210.09	200.00	— 0 —
Fire Dept. Inspection Fees .....	— 0 —	315.00	400.00	400.00
	28,575.00	28,367.36	31,046.00	2,471.00
<b>Civil Defense</b>				
Civil Defense	1.00	— 0 —	1.00	— 0 —
	1.00	— 0 —	1.00	— 0 —
<b>Building Inspection</b>				
Building Inspector Salary .....	2,500.00	2,312.24	2,500.00	— 0 —
Building Inspector Supplies .....	500.00	267.41	500.00	— 0 —
	3,000.00	2,579.65	3,000.00	— 0 —
<b>Highway Dept. Town Maintenance</b>				
Highway Dept. Wages .....	77,000.00	72,846.76	80,850.00	3,850.00
Highway Temporary Help (Subcontracted) .....	4,000.00	5,106.75	4,000.00	— 0 —
Highway Dept. Salt .....	7,000.00	9,660.36	9,000.00	2,000.00
Highway Dept. Sand & Gravel .....	12,000.00	11,704.70	14,000.00	2,000.00
Highway Dept. Culverts & Bridges .....	3,000.00	2,860.79	3,000.00	— 0 —
Highway Dept. Road Tar .....	16,000.00	9,922.61	16,000.00	— 0 —
Highway Dept. Road Imp. Projects .....	25,000.00	9,405.86	25,000.00	— 0 —
	144,000.00	121,507.83	151,850.00	7,850.00

## 1990 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1989 Approp.	1989 Spent	1990 Approp.	Increase/ Decrease
<b>General Highway Dept. Expenses</b>				
Highway Dept. Equipment Repairs ..	8,000.00	7,547.87	9,000.00	1,000.00
Highway Dept. BC/BS &				
Disability Ins. ....	2,500.00	3,799.32	6,653.00	4,153.00
Highway Dept. Telephone .....	700.00	733.53	700.00	— 0 —
Highway Dept. Misc. Supplies .....	1,200.00	1,191.89	1,200.00	— 0 —
Highway Dept. Gasoline & Diesel ..	10,000.00	5,833.27	10,000.00	— 0 —
Highway Dept. Tires .....	1,200.00	706.40	1,200.00	— 0 —
	23,600.00	19,812.28	28,753.00	5,153.00
<b>Street Lighting</b>				
Street Lighting Electricity .....	1,500.00	1,132.28	1,500.00	— 0 —
	1,500.00	1,132.28	1,500.00	— 0 —
<b>Solid Waste Disposal</b>				
Solid Waste Wages.....	8,000.00	5,794.50	13,000.00	5,000.00
Solid Waste Recycling Services.....	— 0 —		5,000.00	5,000.00
Solid Waste Repairs (Transfer &				
Truck Repairs .....	1,000.00	9,343.00	5,000.00	4,000.00
Solid Waste Supplies (GZA) .....	2,000.00	1,474.05	2,000.00	— 0 —
Solid Waste Electricity.....	1,500.00	930.78	1,500.00	— 0 —
Solid Waste Fuel Oil .....	700.00	— 0 —	700.00	— 0 —
Solid Waste Coop Fees .....	15,692.00	13,646.23	25,000.00	9,308.00
Solid Waste Telephone .....	— 0 —	250.04	250.00	250.00
Central NH Waste Dist. .....	— 0 —	196.93	— 0 —	— 0 —
	28,892.00	31,635.53	52,450.00	23,558.00
<b>Hospitals &amp; Ambulances</b>				
Hospital Appropriation.....	700.00	700.00	700.00	— 0 —
Penacook Rescue Squad .....	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,500.00	2,500.00
Belmont Rescue Squad .....	250.00	250.00	250.00	— 0 —
	5,950.00	5,950.00	8,450.00	2,500.00
<b>Animal Control</b>				
Dog Costs (SPCA) .....	150.00	120.00	150.00	— 0 —
	150.00	120.00	150.00	— 0 —
<b>Vital Statistics</b>				
Vital Statistics Fees .....	50.00	45.00	50.00	— 0 —
	50.00	45.00	50.00	— 0 —
<b>General Assistance</b>				
Community Action Program .....	1,150.00	1,150.00	1,209.00	59.00
General Assistance .....	4,000.00	15.84	4,000.00	— 0 —
Old Age Assistance .....	500.00	— 0 —	500.00	— 0 —
Aid to Disabled (VNA) .....	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,625.00	125.00
	8,150.00	3,665.84	8,334.00	184.00
<b>Library</b>				
Elkins Library Appropriation.....	16,700.00	16,700.00	16,885.00	185.00
	16,700.00	16,700.00	16,885.00	185.00
<b>Historic District Commission</b>				
Historic Dist. Comm. Approp. ....	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,000.00	1,000.00
	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>Canterbury Ind. Dev. Committee</b>				
Canterbury Ind. Dev.				
Committee Approp.....	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,000.00	1,000.00
	— 0 —	— 0 —	1,000.00	1,000.00

# 1990 DETAIL OF THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY

	1989 Approp.	1989 Spent	1990 Approp.	Increase/ Decrease
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>				
Recreation Comm. Repairs .....	750.00	712.77	750.00	— 0 —
Recreation Comm. Equipment .....	750.00	712.77	750.00	— 0 —
<b>Patriotic Purposes</b>				
Memorial Day Expenses .....	200.00	— 0 —	200.00	— 0 —
Fourth of July Expenses .....	800.00	943.50	800.00	— 0 —
	1,000.00	943.50	1,000.00	— 0 —
<b>Conservation Commission</b>				
Conservation Comm. Dues .....	150.00	30.00	150.00	— 0 —
Conservation Comm. Postage .....	50.00	30.00	50.00	— 0 —
Conservation Comm. Printing & Adv. ....	150.00	— 0 —	150.00	— 0 —
Conservation Comm. Supplies .....	200.00	325.14	200.00	— 0 —
	550.00	385.14	550.00	— 0 —
<b>Historical Society</b>				
Historical Society Preservation Exp..	100.00	— 0 —	100.00	— 0 —
Historical Society Misc. Supplies .....	50.00	167.07	100.00	50.00
	150.00	167.07	200.00	50.00
<b>Principal of Long Term Debt</b>				
Principal Payment Fire Truck .....	22,400.00	22,400.00	22,400.00	— 0 —
	22,400.00	22,400.00	22,400.00	— 0 —
<b>Interest of Long Term Debt</b>				
Interest Payment Fire Truck .....	5,103.00	5,073.35	4,960.11	(142.89)
	5,103.00	5,073.35	4,960.11	(142.89)
<b>INTEREST OF TAX ANTIC.</b>				
NOTES .....	500.00	— 0 —	500.00	— 0 —
<b>FICA RETIREMENT &amp; PENSION CONT.</b>				
INSURANCE .....	10,000.00	17,164.93	20,000.00	10,000.00
<b>SUBTOTALS</b> .....	44,000.00	35,632.88	44,000.00	— 0 —
	520,004.00	472,083.26	570,539.11	50,535.11
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:</b>				
Highway Equipment .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	— 0 —	(1,500.00)
Highway Truck .....	5,000.00	5,000.00	— 0 —	(5,000.00)
Highway Grader .....	10,000.00	10,000.00	— 0 —	(10,000.00)
	16,500.00	16,500.00	— 0 —	(16,500.00)
<b>OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL ...</b>	<b>536,504.00</b>	<b>488,583.26</b>	<b>570,539.11</b>	<b>34,035.11</b>
<b>MERRIMACK COUNTY TAX.....</b>		173,745.00		
<b>TAX SALES - TAX COLL. .....</b>		78,919.29		

with his father. Sam not only owned land in Canterbury but also in the surrounding towns.

The first owner of the Sam Lake House, and perhaps the builder, although there is no evidence, was **Elbridge G. Chase**. He resided in the home with his wife and three children. Elbridge was born in 1827 and died in 1881. The home was probably built in the 1850's as its architecture and available deed information suggests. Elbridge Chase's widow, **Judith A. (Davis) Chase**, who was born in Loudon, remained in the house and was later remarried. She married **Joseph P. Dearborn**, a widower whose wife had died in 1879 and had resided in Northfield, in 1885. They made their home there together until Mr. Dearborn's death in 1907. The widow Dearborn, now widowed twice, apparently stayed until her death. Sam and his father George were the next names listed on the registry of deeds. It is believed that Sam and his wife, Bertha, remained in the house until Bertha's death in 1938, then Sam lived alone there until his death in 1941.

The Town of Canterbury, now in ownership of the estate, was able to rent out the home for investment purposes. The home was rented to several families over the next 32 years.

The first tenant was **Colin Heath**, a lifelong resident of Canterbury who makes his home on Old Tilton Road today. Mr. Heath remembers that he was in the Sam Lake House in 1941 because he recalls hearing former President Roosevelt over the radio announcing the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The next resident was the late **Albi Cass**. Albi was joined by **William and Ella Mae Cochrane**, for just one year, the year of their marriage in 1947. The Cochranes also still make their home in Canterbury.

**Mr. and Mrs. Herb Johnson** were to follow remaining only for a brief period in the home. Where the Johnsons reside today is unknown.

In the spring of 1952 **Richard and June Rollins** and their three young children, **Clayton, Philip and Jan**, ages 8, 4 and 6 months respectively, were the next family to live in the home and the family to remain the longest. This family experienced many changes in the community. Their family garden plot was once where the Parish House stands today. The Elementary School was built in 1956, which meant that their two school age sons would no longer attend

school in the little red brick schoolhouse which stood in the field behind their house. This schoolhouse is now the Elizabeth Houser Museum. The Canterbury Spruces, our town's retirement village, was built. The storekeepers and pastors of the Church continued to change. The Rollins family stayed until the fall of 1973 when the children were graduated from high school, grown, married and had moved away. Richard Rollins remains in town today at the Canterbury Spruces, Philip "Bucky" Rollins resides here on Morrill Road and Jan Cote is in Canterbury as well and resides on Southwest Road with her family. Clayton passed away in 1974 and June in 1987.

The home sadly sat empty for many years waiting for the selectmen at that time to decide its fate. Finally in 1981 renovations were underway by **Tom Cochrane**, a town resident. After those improvements to make the building sound again it was transformed into our town offices. By the spring of 1982 town officials had moved into their new quarters leaving the basement of the Town Hall.

The charm and grace as well as the history of the Sam Lake house grows more and more rich as time passes on. Most recently **Michael Cote**, a builder residing here in Canterbury, completed a new addition to the house. The new addition is quite adequate for the selectmen and other boards and committees to hold sizeable meetings. The upstairs of the addition is finished as well, making an ample meeting area there. The large, dry basement will be welcomed for storage space. All in all, its unique features have made a beautiful dwelling.

The addition was made possible due to the Sam Lake Trust Fund. A fund generously left to the town by Sam Lake before his death.

We, the residents of Canterbury, have a town rich in history just waiting to be rediscovered. The story of Sam Lake and his Homestead is just one of the many unique histories of our town.

— Researched and written by  
Jan Rollins Cote

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